"Nixon Ruled California Nonresident" for tax purposes by Martin Huff, executive officer, state Franchise Tax Board (WxPost 2/2/74). This and Huff got a generous TV news play last night. However, whatever the basis for his ruling, it is a fact that ~~xxx~~ Californians in the military do not have this benefit. They do have to pay state taxes. The have a $1,000 exemption. Nixon's absence from the state in which he does have a voting residence is less permanent and was less interrupted by duties elsewhere than any in the military assigned overseas or to other stateside posts. It does not seem like a normal ruling or interpretation. HW 2/2/74